

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Alan B. NIERENBERG Art Unit: 3753

Application No.: 10/083,920 Examiner: Ljiljana V. CIRIC

Filed: February 27, 2002 Attorney Dkt. No.: 63229.00002

For: APPARATUS FOR THE REGASIFICATION OF LNG ONBOARD A CARRIER

RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 28, 2004

Sir:

Applicants' acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 17, 2004.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicated that the reply which was filed on June 15, 2004 was not considered fully responsive due to the fact that this response did not include the text "withdrawn" claims 4-7. Applicants' attach herewith a CORRECTED response; this corrected response is identical to the response which was filed on June 15, 2004, but contains the text of omitted claims 4-7. For consistencies sake, <u>no</u> other changes to the text of the response have been made.

It is respectfully submitted that this paper and the attachment is fully responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 17, 2004. Entries of these amendments and timely consideration of the remarks is respectfully requested.

In the event that there are any fees due with this response, please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Corrected Response

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ONBOARD A CARRIER

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.121

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, having been duly extended from April 2, 2004, until July 2, 2004, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. This response complies with the amendment format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

Amendments to the Title of the Invention are submitted on page 2.

Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure are submitted on page 3.

Amendments to the claims are submitted on page 4.

Remarks are submitted on page 5.

IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

Please delete the original Title of the Invention, and insert therefore the following new Title of the Invention to read as follows:

APPARATUS FOR THE REGASIFICATION OF LNG ONBOARD A CARRIER